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SUBJECT: US PROPOSAL FOR COMPLAINTS MECHANISM: UNESCO

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1. AS FIRST STEP PERMREP MET WITH UK PERMREP DENNIS CARR TO DISCUSS OUTLINES OF COMPLAINTS MECHANISM AND TO REQUEST EARLY MEETING WITH EXBD CHAIRMAN MARTIN. CARR ASKED THAT WE SUBMIT TO HIM A BRIEF STATEMENT IN WRITING OF THE OUTLINES OF OUR PLAN SO THAT HE CAN GIVE IT TO MARTIN. WE PROPOSE TO PREPARE THE TEXT SET OUT BELOW, SUBJECT TO DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE, FOR TRANSMITTAL TO CARR. HE WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE OUR TEXT BY MONDAY CLOSE OF BUSINESS.

2. CARR DID NOT EXPRESS ANY VIEWS ON THE PROPOSAL, BUT SAID HE AGREED THAT AN EARLY MEETING WITH MARTIN IS DESIRABLE. CARR ALSO WANTS TO OUTLINE THE PROPOSAL TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NINE, WHICH HE WILL CHAIR ON CONFIDENTIAL

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6.

3. PERMDEL WILL BE CONTACTING THOSE MEMBERS OF THE NINE WHO ARE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS AND WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO HAND THEM A COPY OF OUR PROPOSAL.

4. THE INFORMATION GROUP MEETS MONDAY, APRIL 4, BUT WE WOULD NOT PLAN TO RAISE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PROPOSAL WITH THE IG UNTIL MARTIN AND THE NINE HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO REACT. PERMDEL CAN ASK FOR A MEETING OF THE IG WHEN WE HAVE RECEIVED THE VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS OF THE UK AND OF THE MEMBERS OF THE NINE REPRESENTED ON THE EXBD.

5. WE HAVE ALSO ASKED CARR TO TAKE UP WITH MARTIN THE POSSIBILITY OF REVISING THE AGENDA TO PUT THE HUMAN RIGHTS ITEM LATER ON IN THE SESSION SO THAT CONSULTATIONS CAN TAKE PLACE. CARR SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER MARTIN WOULD AGREE AS THE AGENDA WAS ALREADY PREPARED AND HE DID NOT KNOW IF SUCH A CHANGE WOULD BE POSSIBLE AT THIS DATE.

6. SOME KEY MEMBERS OF THE NINE MAY BE AWAY DURING EASTER WEEK, NOTABLY PETERSEN OF THE FRG. PETERSEN IS NOW IN EGYPT AT THE PHILAE MEETINGS AND WILL NOT RETURN TO PARIS UNTIL AFTER EASTER.

7. REQUEST DEPARTMENT RESPONSE PROPOSED TEXT BY MONDAY.

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8. TEXT. THE UNITED STATES IS CONSIDERING PROPOSING

TO APPROPRIATE UNESCO GOVERNING BODIES A COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS, SELECTED FROM OUTSIDE UNESCO, AND WORKING OUTSIDE OF THE GOVERNING BODIES OF UNESCO BE CREATED TO PERFORM A CAREFUL REVIEW OF ANY COMPLAINT BROUGHT BY ONE OR MORE MEMBER STATES AGAINST ANY OTHER UNESCO MEMBER STATE. THE MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE WOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, BUT WOULD INCLUDE THEM. THE COMMITTEE, COMPOSED OF OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS, WOULD EXAMINE ALL SUCH CASES AND MAKE ITS REPORT TO THE APPROPRIATE UNESCO GOVERNING BODY WHICH WOULD NOT ACT ON SUCH MATTERS UNTIL IT HAD RECEIVED THE REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE.

THIS PROPOSAL IS STILL IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND WE WOULD WELCOME THE VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT ON ITS MERITS.

AS A FIRST STEP THE UNITED STATES PLANS TO OUTLINE THE
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SUBSTANCE OF THE PROPOSAL IN ITS STATEMENT ON ITEM
5.6.2 OF THE AGENDA OF THE 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD.
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